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In re Application of
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For: METHOD FOR IMMOBILIZING HYDROGEL-
FORMING POLYMERS ON POLYMER SUBSTRATE
SURFACES

DECISION ON

REQUEST FOR

CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

This decision is in response to applicant's request for corrected filing receipt filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 24 August 2005. The petition requests a change in the title for the invention, which differs from the title as listed on the published International application.

BACKGROUND

On 24 July 2003, applicant filed international application No. PCT/EP03/08180 which claimed priority of an earlier German application filed 22 August 2002. A copy of the international application had been communicated earlier to the United States Patent and Trademark Office from the International Bureau on 01 April 2004. The published international application identified the title of the invention as "Method for Immobilizing Hydrogel Bonding Polymers on Polymer Substrate Surfaces".

On 21 January 2005, applicant filed a transmittal letter (PTO-1390) requesting entry into the national stage in the United States of America under 35 U.S.C. § 371. Filed with the Transmittal Letter was, *inter alia*, the requisite basic national fee and preliminary amendment to change the title of the invention. On the same date, applicant submitted an executed declaration.

On 26 July 2005, the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed a Notification of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) and filing receipt.

On 24 August 2005, applicant filed, via facsimile in the USPTO, a Request for Corrected Filing Receipt, requesting a correction to the title of the invention.

DISCUSSION

On 21 January 2005, applicant filed an amendment to change the title of the invention to read: "Method For Immobilizing Hydrogel-Forming Polymers on Polymer Substrate Surfaces". The filing receipt mailed on 26 July 2005 indicated that the title of the invention was "Method for Immobilizing Hydrogel-Bonding Polymers on Polymer Substrate Surfaces" and thus, did not reflect the title as amended. Applicant requests correction of the title of the invention to "Method

For Immobilizing Hydrogel-Forming Polymers On Polymer Substrate Surfaces."

The filing receipt is corrected to properly identify the title and is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons above, applicant's request for a corrected filing receipt is **GRANTED**.

This application is being forwarded to Group Art Unit 1773.



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Enclosure: Corrected Filing Receipt